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MAN INDICTED FOR OBSTRUCTING AND IMPEDING THE IRS BY FILING FALSE IRS FORMS CLAIMING \$36 MILLION IN REFUNDS

RICHARD S. HARTUNIAN, United States Attorney, Northern District of New York announces that a federal Grand Jury in Syracuse has returned a seven-count Indictment charging **GLENN RICHARD UNGER (62, of Ogdensburg, NY)** with obstructing and impeding the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") by filing numerous false and fraudulent IRS forms seeking refunds. Specifically, the Indictment alleges that **GLENN RICHARD UNGER** obstructed and impeded the IRS between 2007 and 2011 by filing numerous false and fraudulent claims with the IRS for payment of a refund of taxes totaling approximately 36 million dollars. Upon receiving the false IRS forms, the IRS realized that they were fraudulent and did not issue any refund checks to **GLENN RICHARD UNGER**. The Indictment also alleges that the defendant filed false claims for refunds, evaded paying income taxes, and filed a fictitious obligation. If found guilty, the defendant faces a statutory maximum sentence of 20 years, a term of supervised release of up to 3 years, and a maximum fine of \$250,000.00. The defendant was arraigned in Albany, New York, on January 2, 2013 before United States Magistrate Judge Randolph F. Treece and is currently detained.

The charges and allegations contained in the Indictment are merely accusations, and the defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

This prosecution resulted from an investigation conducted by the Internal Revenue Service, Criminal Investigation, New York Field Office, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Albany Field Office, the New York State Police, and the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration. The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Ransom P. Reynolds. Further questions may be directed to Executive Assistant U.S. Attorney John Duncan at (315) 448-0672.